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In Re Application of:

Robert S. Chau, et al.
U.S. Serial No: 09/654,315
Filed: September 1, 2000
For: DEVICE STRUCTURE AND
METHOD FOR REDUCING
SILICIDE ENCROACHMENT

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In Response to the Election Requirement mailed November 21, 2001, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Group I claims, claims 30-37, drawn to a semiconductor device, and withdraw Group II claims, Claims 38-43 drawn to a process for making semiconductor devices.

If there are any additional charges, please charge them to our Deposit Account Number 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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